

Application No.: 09/687,734
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REMARKS

The Examiner maintains the rejection over US 6,180,735 (Wenzel). However, the Examiner suggests that the claims would be allowable if the transitional term "comprising" was replaced with the phrase "consisting essentially of". This term is used in lieu of "consisting of" to prevent a possible infringer from avoiding the claims by adding inert and/or unreactive materials to the composition. The term otherwise has the effect on the claims that the Examiner intends, and makes the claims allowable over the art of record. The Applicant has thus amended claim 1 accordingly. Independent claim 10 already includes such language.

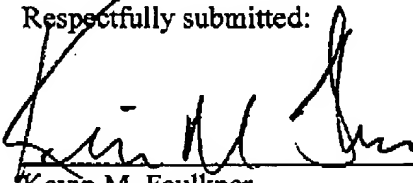
The Applicant requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

All of the Examiner's points have been addressed. All the claims are in condition for allowance.

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